

DENNIS VAN DYKE,  
  
Plaintiff,  
  
v.  
  
OFFICER O'DONNELL, et al,  
  
Defendants.

**THIS MATTER** is before this Court upon a Complaint pursuant to 42 U.S.C. §1983, filed on December 9, 2005 (Document No. 1). Defendants have filed Motions for Summary Judgment with supporting briefs (Document Nos 22 and 23.) It appears that the Defendants may be entitled to summary judgment as a matter of law.

The Plaintiff is advised that under the provisions of Rule 56(e) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, he is required to submit documents, affidavits, or unsworn declarations made under penalty of perjury, in opposition to the Motions for Summary Judgment and supporting documents filed by the Defendants. Rule 56(e) reads in pertinent part as follows:

When a motion for summary judgment is made and supported [by affidavits], an adverse party may not rest upon the mere allegations or denials of his pleadings, but his response, by affidavits or as otherwise provided by this rule, must set forth specific facts showing that there is genuine issue for trial. If he does not respond, summary judgment, if appropriate, shall be entered against him.

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contained in the Motion for Summary Judgment and supporting documents filed by the Defendants, he must present it to the Court in the form of documents, affidavits, or unsworn declarations under penalty of perjury. An affidavit is a written statement made under oath; that is, a statement prepared in writing by the Plaintiff and sworn before a Notary Public. Plaintiff may not allege new facts surrounding the events in question as part of your reply. Plaintiff should base his reply and argument(s) solely on the matters set forth in the original Complaint and/or those set forth in the Defendants' Motions. If the Plaintiff chooses, he may instead submit an unsworn declaration and state the following with the date and his signature:

"I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct."

**PLAINTIFF VAN DYKE READ THIS:**

The Plaintiff is further hereby advised that he has thirty (30) days from the filing of this Order in which to file documents, affidavits, or unsworn declarations in opposition to the Defendants' Motion for Summary Judgment. **FAILURE TO RESPOND WITHIN THIS TIME PERIOD MAY SUBJECT THIS ACTION TO SUMMARY JUDGMENT.**

**THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED** that the Plaintiff has thirty(30) days from the filing of this Order in which to provide his own documents, affidavits, or declarations countering the evidence offered by the Defendants' Motions for Summary Judgment.

Signed: June 21, 2006

**SO ORDERED.**



Graham C. Mullen  
United States District Judge

